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Mr. Joseph E. Comstock Acting Director of Public Works City of South Gate 8650 California Avenue South Gate, CA 90280 CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
CLAIM NO. 7002 2410 0006 3316 4593

Dear Mr. Comstock:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – CITY OF SOUTH GATE, WELL NO. 28 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, 3414 ARDMORE AVENUE, SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994001, CI-8605)

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge waste under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). You have proposed to discharge up to one million gallons per day groundwater from well construction activities.

Based on the information provided, the proposed discharge of groundwater meets the conditions specified in Order No. 97-045, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Groundwater Discharges From Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on May 12, 1997.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your General NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. 97-045 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-8605. The discharge limitations in Part E of Order No. 97-045 are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge from the site drains into the Los Angeles River between Figueroa Street and Los Angeles River Estuary, therefore, the discharged limitations in Attachment A.7.d. are also applicable to your discharge. Prior to starting discharge, a representative sample of the effluent shall be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under Order No. 97-45. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit.</u>

When submitting monitoring and technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-8605 and NPDES No. CAG994001", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine your discharge monitoring reports with other reports. Submit each type of report as a separate document.

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In order to avoid future annual fees, please submit written notification when the project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed.

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We are sending Board Order No. 97-045 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order previously sent to you. A copy of the Order will be furnished to anyone who requests it.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. James Tang at (213) 576-6696.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson Executive Officer

Enclosures: Fact Sheet

Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 8605

Order No. 97-045, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994001

Appendix A

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and

Permits Office (WTR-5) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service

Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

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